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INTRODUCTION

It is the policy of the Division of Youth Service to report periodically the number and percentage change of its commitments over comparable periods of time. Thus, the following official report covers the entire fiscal year of 1968 or from July 1, 1967 through the following June 30, 1968.

This past fiscal year, commitments to the Division of Youth Service decreased one percent from the previous fiscal year or from 881 in 1967 to 876 in 1968. This is the fourth successive year that the Division of Youth Service has experienced a decrease in commitments. By contrast juveniles appearing in court have increased in each of the past four fiscal years.

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I. Commitments to the Youth Service Board Fiscal Years 1958 - 1968

Table 1: Comparison of Commitments to the Youth Service Board for the Fiscal Years of 1958, 1963, 1967, 1968.

	June			Total to Date: July 1 - June 30		
Year	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
1958	69	18	87	857	220	1077
1963	75	14	89	903	223	1126
1967	52	13	65	709	172	881
1968	62	21	83	701	175	876
10 - Year Average Fiscal Years 1958 - 1967	65	18	83	792	219	1011

Comparisons:

Total to Date: (Fiscal Years 1958 and 1968)

Boys:	Decrease of	156 or 18%	(857 in 1958 and 701 in 1968)
Girls:	Decrease of	45 or 20%	(220 in 1958 and 175 in 1968)
Total:	Decrease of	201 or 19%	(1077 in 1958 and 876 in 1968)

Total to Date: (Fiscal Years 1963 and 1968)

Boys:	Decrease of	202 or 22%	(903 in 1963 and 701 in 1968)
Girls:	Decrease of	48 or 22%	(223 in 1963 and 175 in 1968)
Total:	Decrease of	250 or 22%	(1126 in 1963 and 876 in 1968)

Total to Date: (Fiscal Years 1967 and 1968)

Boys:	Decrease of	8 or 1%	(709 in 1967 and 701 in 1968)
Girls:	Increase of	3 or 2%	(172 in 1967 and 175 in 1968)
Total:	Decrease of	5 or 1%	(881 in 1967 and 876 in 1968)

Note: All per cents rounded off to the nearest whole per cent.

Sex Ratio of Commitments

1958	Boys outnumbered Girls	4 to 1
1963	Boys outnumbered Girls	4 to 1
1967	Boys outnumbered Girls	4 to 1
1968	Boys outnumbered Girls	4 to 1

Months of Highest and Lowest Commitments of Boys and Girls During Fiscal Year 1968

	High		Low
Boys:	April, March, December	Boys:	August, July, September
Girls:	May, June, April, November	Girls:	December, February, July

Table 2: Comparison of Commitments to the Youth Service Board by Court and County for the Fiscal Years 1957, 1967 and 1968

Court/County	1957			1967			1968		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
BARNSTABLE CTY									
Barnstable	6	1	7	9	1	10	9	3	12
Provincetown	-	-	-	7	-	7	3	-	3
Barns. Sup.	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	6
TOTAL	6	1	7	16	1	17	18	3	21
BERKSHIRE CTY									
Adams	2	1	3	2	-	2	1	-	1
Great Barr.	5	1	6	1	-	1	2	-	2
Lee	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-
North Adams	6	-	6	4	4	8	2	-	2
Pittsfield	17	3	20	12	4	16	3	3	6
Williamstown	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
Berk. Sup.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	30	5	35	21	9	30	8	3	11
BRISTOL COUNTY									
Attleboro	3	1	4	6	-	6	3	1	4
Fall River	13	4	17	16	3	19	22	2	24
New Bedford	18	6	24	21	2	23	17	2	19
Taunton	3	-	3	18	1	19	5	3	8
Bristol Sup.	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3
TOTAL	37	11	48	61	6	67	50	8	58

Court/County	1957 Boys	1957 Girls	1957 Total	1967 Boys	1967 Girls	1967 Total	1968 Boys	1968 Girls	1968 Total
DUKES COUNTY									
Oaks Bluffs	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dukes Sup.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
ESSEX COUNTY									
Amesbury	3	1	4	1	-	1	3	-	3
Gloucester	8	-	8	8	2	10	5	1	6
Haverhill	10	1	11	4	2	6	6	3	9
Ipswich	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lawrence	16	8	24	9	3	12	14	4	18
Lynn	19	8	27	18	3	21	19	9	28
Newburyport	3	1	4	6	3	9	7	2	9
Peabody	3	-	3	1	4	5	1	-	1
Salem	19	8	27	6	6	12	3	3	6
Essex Sup.	1	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	2
TOTAL	82	27	109	53	23	76	60	22	82
FRANKLIN CTY									
Greenfield	10	4	14	12	9	21	8	5	13
Orange	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Franklin Sup.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	10	4	14	12	9	21	8	6	14

Court/County	1957 Boys	1957 Girls	1957 Total	1967 Boys	1967 Girls	1967 Total	1968 Boys	1968 Girls	1968 Total
HAMPDEN COUNTY									
Chicopee	10	8	18	9	5	14	12	6	18
Holyoke	15	1	16	22	8	30	23	12	35
Palmer	5	2	7	2	2	4	4	1	5
Springfield	50	7	57	58	14	72	92	21	113
Westfield	4	3	7	1	1	2	5	2	7
Hampden Sup.	2	-	2	1	-	1	1	-	1
TOTAL	86	21	107	93	30	123	137	42	179
HAMPSHIRE CTY									
Northampton	14	4	18	8	4	12	11	2	13
Ware	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Hampshire Sup.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	14	4	18	8	4	12	12	2	14
MIDDLESEX CTY									
Ayer	9	-	9	6	-	6	4	-	4
Cambridge	26	5	31	15	2	17	23	1	24
Concord	-	-	-	3	-	3	1	1	2
Framingham	4	1	5	6	-	6	2	-	2
Lowell	21	5	26	16	4	20	16	7	23
Malden	17	9	26	12	3	15	17	5	22
Marlborough	3	-	3	4	-	4	5	-	5

Court/County	1957			1967			1968		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
MIDDLESEX CTY									
Natick	2	-	2	3	2	5	-	-	-
Newton	5	-	5	3	1	4	3	-	3
Somerville	10	4	14	10	5	15	9	-	9
Waltham	8	6	14	3	-	3	6	2	8
Woburn	8	-	8	11	1	12	5	6	11
Middlesex Sup.	8	-	8	7	-	7	7	-	7
TOTAL	121	30	151	99	18	117	98	22	120
NANTUCKET CTY									
Nantucket	1	-	1	2	-	2	1	-	1
Nantucket Sup.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	1	-	1	2	-	2	1	-	1
NORFOLK COUNTY									
Brookline	4	1	5	5	1	6	2	-	2
Dedham	-	1	1	4	-	4	4	-	4
Franklin	1	1	2	3	-	3	4	-	4
Quincy	17	2	19	17	1	18	11	-	11
Stoughton	1	1	2	3	-	3	1	-	1
Norfolk Sup.	12	-	12	3	-	3	3	-	3
TOTAL	35	6	41	35	2	37	25	-	25

Court/County	1957 Boys	1957 Girls	1957 Total	1967 Boys	1967 Girls	1967 Total	1968 Boys	1968 Girls	1968 Total
PLYMOUTH CTY									
Brockton	15	1	16	19	13	32	12	2	14
Hingham	8	-	8	7	1	8	3	-	3
Middleboro	5	1	6	7	2	9	1	5	6
Plymouth	6	-	6	7	1	8	10	2	12
Plymouth Sup.	6	-	6	8	-	8	7	-	7
TOTAL	40	2	42	48	17	65	33	9	42
SUFFOLK COUNTY									
Boston Mun.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Boston Juv.	24	12	36	45	15	60	46	10	56
Brighton	4	2	6	9	3	12	12	3	15
Charlestown	18	1	19	2	1	3	1	-	1
Chelsea	20	6	26	15	6	21	12	1	13
Dorchester	17	4	21	32	1	33	21	1	22
East Boston	5	5	10	2	-	2	-	-	-
Roxbury	61	18	79	-	-	-	-	-	-
South Boston	19	-	19	4	1	5	9	1	10
West Roxbury	18	1	19	20	1	21	13	1	14
Suffolk Sup.	12	1	13	35	-	35	16	2	18
TOTAL	198	50	248	164	28	192	130	19	149

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Court/County	1957			1967			1968		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
WORCESTER CTY									
Blackstone	1	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	1
Clinton	4	2	6	1	-	1	2	-	2
Fitchburg	16	1	17	15	1	16	24	6	30
Gardner	7	1	8	11	5	16	4	-	4
Leominster	1	-	1	2	-	2	4	1	5
Milford	5	-	5	1	-	1	3	3	6
North Brkfld.	3	-	3	5	1	6	-	2	2
Southbridge	8	3	11	1	2	3	7	1	8
Westboro	3	3	6	-	-	-	-	1	1
Winchendon	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Worcester	35	14	49	59	16	75	61	23	84
Worcester Sup.	6	1	7	1	-	1	14	2	16
TOTAL	89	25	114	97	25	122	121	39	160
TOTAL ALL COURTS	751	186	937	709	172	881	701	175	876

Table 3: Summary of Commitments to the Youth Service Board, by County

For Fiscal Years 1957, 1967, 1968

County	1957			1967			1968		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
BARNSTABLE	6	1	7	16	1	17	18	3	21
BERKSHIRE	30	5	35	21	9	30	8	3	11
BRISTOL	37	11	48	61	6	67	50	8	58
DUKES	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
ESSEX	82	27	109	53	23	76	60	22	82
FRANKLIN	10	4	14	12	9	21	8	6	14
HAMPDEN	86	21	107	93	30	123	137	42	179
HAMPSHIRE	14	4	18	8	4	12	12	2	14
MIDDLESEX	121	30	151	99	18	117	98	22	120
NANTUCKET	1	-	1	2	-	2	1	-	1
NORFOLK	35	6	41	35	2	37	25	-	25
PLYMOUTH	40	2	42	48	17	65	33	9	42
SUFFOLK	198	50	248	164	28	192	130	19	149
WORCESTER	89	25	114	97	25	122	121	39	160
TOTAL	751	186	937	709	172	881	701	175	876

Table 4: Number of Commitments to the Youth Service Board, Boys, Girls, Total - By Fiscal Year: 1954 - 1968

YEAR	BOYS	GIRLS	TOTAL
1954	524	118	642
1955	656	161	817
1956	748	178	926
1957	751	186	937
1958	857	220	1077
1959	696	224	920
1960	767	222	989
1961	760	234	994
1962	843	237	1080
1963	903	223	1126
1964	911	223	1134
1965	777	230	1007
1966	695	204	899
1967	709	172	881
1968	701	175	876
Average for Period 1954 - 1968	753	200	953

II. RESIDENCE OF COMMITMENTS TO THE YOUTH SERVICE BOARD

FISCAL YEAR 1968

Total Children Committed to the Youth Service Board by Residence During Fiscal Year 1968

City / Town	Boys	Girls	Total
BARNSTABLE COUNTY			
Barnstable	4	2	6
Dennis	2	-	2
Falmouth	5	1	6
Provincetown	1	-	1
Yarmouth	3	-	3
TOTAL	15	3	18
BERKSHIRE COUNTY			
Adams	1	-	1
Great Barrington	1	-	1
New Marlborough	1	-	1
North Adams	2	-	2
Pittsfield	3	3	6
TOTAL	8	3	11
BRISTOL COUNTY			
Acushnet	1	-	1
Attleboro	1	1	2
Darthmouth	1	-	1
Fairhaven	-	1	1
Fall River	20	2	22
Freetown	1	1	2
New Bedford	16	-	16
Swansea	1	-	1
Taunton	8	3	11
TOTAL	49	8	57
ESSEX COUNTY			
Amesbury	3	-	3
Andover	1	-	1
Beverly	1	1	2
Danvers	1	-	1
Essex	-	1	1
Gloucester	5	-	5
Haverhill	6	3	9
Lawrence	11	3	14
Lynn	17	10	27
Lynnfield	1	-	1
Methuen	1	1	2
Newburyport	6	1	7
North Andover	1	-	1
Salem	1	2	3
Salisbury	2	-	2
Saugus	2	-	2
TOTAL	59	22	81
FRANKLIN COUNTY			
Gill	2	1	3
Greenfield	4	3	7
Montague	2	1	3
Orange	1	1	2
TOTAL	9	6	15
HAMPDEN COUNTY			
Agawam	5	-	5
Chicopee	15	6	21
Holyoke	26	12	38
Ludlow	1	-	1
Monson	1	-	1

City / Town	Boys	Girls	Total
HAMPDEN COUNTY			
Palmer	3	1	4
Southwick	1	-	1
Springfield	80	20	100
West Springfield	2	2	4
Westfield	2	-	2
Wilbraham	3	-	3
TOTAL	139	41	180
HAMPSHIRE COUNTY			
Amherst	1	-	1
Easthampton	1	-	1
Granby	-	1	1
Hatfield	1	-	1
Northampton	2	1	3
South Hadley	1	-	1
Ware	2	-	2
Worthington	1	-	1
TOTAL	9	2	11
MIDDLESEX COUNTY			
Arlington	4	-	4
Ayer	3	-	3
Bedford	1	-	1
Billerica	1	-	1
Burlington	2	1	3
Cambridge	15	1	16
Chelmsford	1	-	1
Concord	1	-	1
Dracut	3	-	3
Everett	6	-	6
Lexington	-	1	1
Lowell	9	5	14
Malden	4	-	4
Marlborough	4	-	4
Medford	3	3	6
Melrose	2	-	2

City / Town	Boys	Girls	Total
MIDDLESEX COUNTY			
Newton	3	-	3
North Reading	-	2	2
Reading	-	1	1
Shirley	1	-	1
Somerville	15	-	15
Sudbury	1	-	1
Tewksbury	-	1	1
Tyngsborough	1	1	2
Wakefield	1	-	1
Waltham	2	1	3
Watertown	-	1	1
Wayland	1	-	1
Wilmington	3	-	3
Winchester	-	1	1
Woburn	1	1	2
TOTAL	88	20	108
NORFOLK COUNTY			
Bellingham	1	-	1
Braintree	2	-	2
Brookline	4	-	4
Dedham	1	-	1
Holbrook	1	1	2
Medway	1	-	1
Norwood	1	-	1
Quincy	2	-	2
Randolph	3	-	3
Walpole	1	-	1
Wellesley	3	-	3
Weymouth	1	-	1
TOTAL	21	1	22

City / Town	Boys	Girls	Total
PLYMOUTH COUNTY			
Brockton	11	1	12
Halifax	1	-	1
Hanson	2	-	2
Lakeville	-	1	1
Marshfield	1	-	1
Middleborough	1	2	3
Pembroke	3	1	4
Plymouth	5	-	5
Scituate	1	-	1
Wareham	1	3	4
TOTAL	26	8	34
SUFFOLK COUNTY			
Boston	142	20	162
Chelsea	6	1	7
Revere	3	-	3
TOTAL	151	21	172
WORCESTER COUNTY			
Ashburnham	3	-	3
Athol	1	-	1
Auburn	-	1	1
Barre	2	-	2
Charlton	1	-	1
Clinton	2	-	2
Dudley	-	1	1
Fitchburg	21	6	27
Gardner	2	-	2
Grafton	-	1	1
Hardwick	2	-	2
Hopedale	1	-	1
Leicester	2	-	2
Leominster	3	1	4
Milford	3	2	5
Millbury	1	1	2

City / Town	Boys	Girls	Total
WORCESTER COUNTY			
Millville	1	-	1
Oxford	1	-	1
Royalston	1	-	1
Shrewsbury	2	1	3
Southbridge	5	-	5
Spencer	1	2	3
Sutton	1	-	1
Upton	-	1	1
Uxbridge	1	-	1
Webster	1	-	1
West Boylston	1	-	1
Westminster	2	-	2
Winchendon	2	-	2
Worcester	59	23	82
TOTAL	122	40	162

SUMMARY OF COMMITMENTS TO THE YOUTH SERVICE BOARD BY RESIDENCE

FISCAL YEAR 1968

County	Boys	Girls	Total	%
Barnstable	15	3	18	2%
Berkshire	8	3	11	1%
Bristol	49	8	57	7%
Dukes	-	-	-	-
Essex	59	22	81	9%
Franklin	9	6	15	2%
Hampden	139	41	180	21%
Hampshire	9	2	11	1%
Middlesex	88	20	108	12%
Nantucket	-	-	-	-
Norfolk	21	1	22	3%
Plymouth	26	8	34	4%
Suffolk	151	21	172	20%
Worcester	122	40	162	18%
Out of State	4	-	4	*
Unknown	1	-	1	*
TOTAL	701	175	876	100%

871	residing in Massachusetts	99%
4	residing out of state at time of commitment	*
1	residence unknown	*
876	total commitments by residence, fiscal year 1968	100%

Note: - = no commitments in this catagory
* = less than 1%
all per cents rounded off to the nearest whole number

III. NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNDER THE CARE OF THE YOUTH SERVICE BOARD ON JUNE 30, 1968

	NUMBER		
	BOYS	GIRLS	TOTAL
In Institutions	660	173	833
On Parole	1338	272	1610
TOTAL	1998	445	2443

IV. Table 5:

Number and Percentage Distribution of Ages at Time of Commitment to the Youth Service Board by Selected Categories.

FISCAL YEAR 1968

Age Category	Number			Per Cent		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
Below 12 Yrs.	33	1	34	5%	1%	4%
12 & 13 Yrs.	95	29	124	14%	17%	14%
14 & 15 Yrs.	327	99	426	47%	57%	49%
16 & over	246	46	292	35%	26%	33%
TOTAL	701	175	876	100%	100%	100%

Note: All per cents rounded off to the nearest whole per cent.

V. Table 6:

COMPARISON OF AGES AT TIME OF COMMITMENT TO THE YOUTH SERVICE BOARD

Fiscal Years 1965 - 1966 - 1967 - 1968

BOYS

	NUMBER				PER CENT			
Age	1965	1966	1967	1968	1965	1966	1967	1968
7 Yrs.	4	-	5	-	1%	-	1%	-
8 Yrs.	7	3	4	5	1%	*	1%	1%
9 Yrs.	13	7	6	4	2%	1%	1%	1%
10 Yrs.	9	17	15	8	1%	2%	2%	1%
11 Yrs.	17	15	22	16	2%	2%	3%	2%
12 Yrs.	36	33	32	40	5%	5%	5%	6%
13 Yrs.	83	63	63	55	11%	9%	9%	8%
14 Yrs.	126	100	126	129	16%	14%	18%	18%
15 Yrs.	223	208	181	198	29%	30%	26%	28%
16 Yrs.	213	212	223	202	27%	31%	31%	29%
17 Yrs.	46	37	32	44	6%	5%	5%	6%
TOTAL	777	695	709	701	100%	100%	100%	100%

- = No commitments in this catagory

* = Less than 1%

Note: All per cents rounded off to the nearest whole per cent.

Table 7:

COMPARISON OF AGES AT TIME OF COMMITMENT TO THE YOUTH SERVICE BOARD

Fiscal Years 1965 - 1966 - 1967 - 1968

GIRLS

	NUMBER				PER CENT			
Age	1965	1966	1967	1968	1965	1966	1967	1968
7 Yrs.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8 Yrs.	-	1	-	-	-	*	-	-
9 Yrs.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10 Yrs.	1	-	1	-	*	-	*	-
11 Yrs.	1	1	6	1	*	*	3%	*
12 Yrs.	9	8	5	10	4%	4%	3%	6%
13 Yrs.	24	33	27	19	10%	16%	16%	11%
14 Yrs.	54	55	46	44	23%	27%	27%	25%
15 Yrs.	92	53	56	55	40%	26%	33%	31%
16 Yrs.	39	38	25	39	17%	19%	15%	22%
17 Yrs.	10	15	6	7	4%	7%	3%	4%
TOTAL	230	204	172	175	100%	100%	100%	100%

- = No commitments in this catagory

* = Less than 1%

Note: All per cents rounded off to the nearest whole per cent.

Table 7:

CONGRESSION OF JOBS AS VIEWED BY CONSTITUENT IN THE VERMONT AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL

Fiscal Years 1965 - 1966 - 1967 - 1968

(Table)

Age	Women				Men Only			
	1965	1966	1967	1968	1965	1966	1967	1968
7 Yrs.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8 Yrs.	-	1	-	-	-	*	-	-
9 Yrs.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10 Yrs.	1	-	1	-	*	-	*	-
11 Yrs.	1	1	6	1	*	*	1	*
12 Yrs.	9	8	5	10	4	1	3	4
13 Yrs.	24	34	27	19	10	14	14	14
14 Yrs.	41	55	46	44	24	24	27	25
15 Yrs.	32	33	34	34	40	42	34	34
16 Yrs.	32	36	25	32	17	14	17	22
17 Yrs.	10	19	6	7	4	7	4	4
TOTAL	240	204	142	147	100%	100%	100%	100%

- = No enrollments in this category

* = Less than 1%

Note: All per cents rounded off to the nearest whole per cent.

Table 8:

COMPARISON OF AGES AT TIME OF COMMITMENT TO THE YOUTH SERVICE BOARD

Fiscal Years 1965 - 1966 - 1967 - 1968

TOTAL COMMITMENTS

	NUMBER				PER CENT			
Age	1965	1966	1967	1968	1965	1966	1967	1968
7 Yrs.	4	-	5	-	*	-	1%	-
8 Yrs.	7	4	4	5	1%	*	*	1%
9 Yrs.	13	7	6	4	1%	1%	1%	*
10 Yrs.	10	17	16	8	1%	2%	2%	1%
11 Yrs.	18	16	28	17	2%	2%	3%	2%
12 Yrs.	45	41	37	50	4%	5%	4%	6%
13 Yrs.	107	96	90	74	11%	11%	10%	8%
14 Yrs.	180	155	172	173	18%	17%	20%	20%
15 Yrs.	315	261	237	253	31%	29%	27%	29%
16 Yrs.	252	250	248	241	25%	28%	28%	28%
17 Yrs.	56	52	38	51	6%	6%	4%	6%
TOTAL	1007	899	881	876	100%	100%	100%	100%

- = No commitments in this catagory

* = Less than 1%

Note: All per cents rounded off to the nearest whole per cent.

Table 1.

Consumption of Jobs at Time of Construction in the South Atlantic Zone

Fiscal Years 1955 - 1960 - 1967 - 1980

TOTAL CONSUMPTION

Jobs	Actual				One Point			
	1955	1956	1957	1958	1955	1956	1957	1958
1 Jobs.	4	-	2	-	4	-	12	-
5 Jobs.	7	4	4	5	12	*	*	22
9 Jobs.	12	7	6	4	34	14	12	*
20 Jobs.	10	17	15	8	14	22	32	12
11 Jobs.	48	15	48	17	74	32	31	18
12 Jobs.	45	42	37	30	44	52	44	67
13 Jobs.	107	96	90	84	112	115	109	84
14 Jobs.	180	155	142	174	164	172	176	90
15 Jobs.	315	344	237	247	242	204	187	232
16 Jobs.	250	272	208	241	251	254	195	224
17 Jobs.	56	52	38	51	61	41	42	46
Totals	1017	899	830	916	1000	1000	1000	1000

- * No consultants in this category

* * Less than 1%

Note: All pay units rounded off to the nearest whole per cent.

VI. Table 9:

Percentage of Juveniles Appearing in Court who were Committed to the Youth Service Board. Boys - Girls - Total for Fiscal Years 1962, 1967 and 1968

YEAR	JUVENILE APPEARANCES	COMMITMENTS	COMMITMENT RATES
		BOYS	
1962	8364	843	10.1%
1967	12646	709	5.6%
1968	13301	701	5.3%
		GIRLS	
1962	1101	237	21.5%
1967	2005	172	8.6%
1968	2411	175	7.3%
		TOTAL	
1962	9465	1080	11.4%
1967	14651	881	6.0%
1968	15712	876	5.6%

SUMMARY:

BOYS:	1962	10.1% of all boys appearing in court were committed.
	1967	5.6% of all boys appearing in court were committed.
	1968	5.3% of all boys appearing in court were committed.
GIRLS:	1962	21.5% of all girls appearing in court were committed.
	1967	8.6% of all girls appearing in court were committed.
	1968	7.3% of all girls appearing in court were committed.
TOTAL:	1962	11.4% of all children appearing in court were committed.
	1967	6.0% of all children appearing in court were committed.
	1968	5.6% of all children appearing in court were committed.

VI. Table 9:

Percentage of Juvenile Appearing in Court who were Committed to the Youth Service Board. Boys - Girls - Total for Stated Years 1956, 1957 and 1958.

YEAR	JUVENILE APPEARANCES	COMMITMENTS	COMMITMENT RATE
	BOYS		
1956	7041	417	10.1%
1957	12416	702	5.6%
1958	12923	702	5.5%
	GIRLS		
1956	1401	127	9.0%
1957	2358	192	8.1%
1958	2411	177	7.3%
	TOTAL		
1956	8442	1044	12.4%
1957	14774	894	6.0%
1958	15334	879	5.6%

SUMMARY:

BOYS: 1956 10.1% of all boys appearing in court were committed.
1957 5.6% of all boys appearing in court were committed.
1958 5.5% of all boys appearing in court were committed.

GIRLS: 1956 12.0% of all girls appearing in court were committed.
1957 8.1% of all girls appearing in court were committed.
1958 7.3% of all girls appearing in court were committed.

TOTAL: 1956 12.4% of all children appearing in court were committed.
1957 6.0% of all children appearing in court were committed.
1958 5.6% of all children appearing in court were committed.

Table 10:

COMPARISON OF JUVENILES APPEARING IN COURT DURING FISCAL YEARS 1962, 1967 and 1968

COMPARISONS:

Fiscal Years 1962 and 1968

Boys:	Increase of 4,937 or 59%	(8,364 in 1962 and 13,301 in 1968)
Girls:	Increase of 1,310 or 119%	(1,101 in 1962 and 2,411 in 1968)
Total:	Increase of 6,247 or 66%	(9,465 in 1962 and 15,712 in 1968)

Fiscal Years 1967 and 1968

Boys:	Increase of 655 or 5%	(12,646 in 1967 and 13,301 in 1968)
Girls:	Increase of 406 or 20%	(2,005 in 1967 and 2,411 in 1968)
Total:	Increase of 1,061 or 7%	(14,651 in 1967 and 15,712 in 1968)

SEX RATIO

1962	Boys outnumbered girls 8 to 1
1967	Boys outnumbered girls 6 to 1
1968	Boys outnumbered girls 11 to 2

VII. Table 11:

INTELLIGENCE QUOTIENTS OF BOYS COMMITTED TO

JUDGE JOHN J. CONNELLY YOUTH CENTER

For Period
1956 - 1968

Range	Number	Percentage of Total
30 - 39	1	*
40 - 49	14	*
50 - 59	56	1%
60 - 69	242	4%
70 - 79	674	11%
80 - 89	1370	23%
90 - 99	1803	30%
100 - 109	1192	20%
110 - 119	483	8%
120 - 129	148	2%
130 - 139	14	*
TOTAL	5997	100%

CLASSIFICATION	RANGE
Severe Retardation	20 - 35
Moderate Retardation	36 - 50
Mild Retardation	51 - 70
Borderline	71 - 79
Dull Normal	80 - 89
Normal	90 - 109
Superior	110 - 119
Very Superior	120 - 129
Near Genius	130 - 139

* = Less than 1%
All percentage rounded off to the nearest whole percent.
Above figures are for those boys actually tested at Judge John J. Connelly Youth Center.

Table 12: INTELLIGENCE QUOTIENTS OF GIRLS COMMITTED To DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICE

FISCAL YEAR 1968

AGE

RANGE	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	TOTAL	%
51 - 70				1	2	1	1		5	3%
71 - 79		1	2	6	4	1	1	1	16	11%
80 - 89	2	1	3	6	7	5	3		27	18%
90 - 109		2	9	19	34	13	8		85	57%
110 - 119			3	2	5	2	2		14	9%
120 - 129					1				1	1%
130 - 139				1	1				2	1%
TOTAL	2	4	17	35	54	22	15	1	150	100%

GRADES BEHIND

RANGE	0	1	2	3
51 - 70	4*			1
71 - 79	10*	3	3	
80 - 89	15	8	2	2
90 - 109	53	17	13	2
110 - 119	12	2		
120 - 129	1			
130 - 139	2			
TOTAL	97	30	18	5
%	65%	20%	12%	3%

* = Some Special Class

TABLE 10:

TWO-DIMENSIONAL DISTRIBUTION OF TOTAL DURATION

BY

DURATION OF ACTIVITY (MINUTES)

FISCAL YEAR 1963

DURATION	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	TOTAL	%
50 - 59			1	2	1	1			5	2%
60 - 69		1	2	6	4	1		1	15	12%
70 - 79	2	1	3	4	7	5	3		25	20%
80 - 89		2	2	14	14	13	8		53	42%
90 - 99			1	2	4	2	2		11	9%
100 - 109					1				1	1%
110 - 119			1	1					2	2%
TOTAL	2	4	10	34	31	22	13	1	100	100%

TABLE 11:

DURATION	0	1	2	3
50 - 59	4*			1
60 - 69	10	1	5	
70 - 79	14	7	2	2
80 - 89	43	27	13	0
90 - 99	11	2		
100 - 109	1			
110 - 119	2			
TOTAL	85	38	18	3
%	68%	30%	14%	2%

* = Times Delayed

SUMMARY

This data shows evidence of academic failure by a large number of girls who psychometrically would seem capable of school success. No norms are available and no statistical tests were conducted but 34 out of 102 girls, who obtained I.Q. scores of average or above, were at least one grades retarded. It would seem that the learning difficulties of these 33% who are below their expected grade placement cannot be understood on the basis of intelligence.

Table 13: INTELLIGENCE QUOTIENTS OF BOYS COMMITTED to DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICE

FISCAL YEAR 1968

AGE

RANGE	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	TOTAL	%
36 - 50							1	1				2	-
51 - 70				5	1	2	3	3	3			17	3%
71 - 79	1	2	2	5	7	16	3	6	6			48	9%
80 - 89	2	3	8	13	15	17	24	28	10			120	23%
90 - 109	4	8	5	13	25	46	55	61	45	11		273	52%
110 - 119		1		1	1	7	7	14	12	3		46	9%
120 - 129			1	2	2	3	1	4	3		1	17	3%
130 - 139						1						1	-
TOTAL	7	14	16	39	51	92	94	117	79	14	1	524	100%

- = Less than 1%

GRADES BEHIND

RANGE	0	1	2	3	4	5
51 - 70	10*	5	2	2		
71 - 79	26*	11	8	3		
80 - 89	39	34	28	14	2	3
90 - 109	118	85	50	16	4	
110 - 119	30	11	6			
120 - 129	10	5	2			
TOTAL	233	151	96	35	6	3
%	44%	29%	18%	7%	1%	-

- = Less than 1%
* = Some Special Class

SUMMARY

Similarly to the girls, but to a greater extent, this data shows evidence of academic failure by a large number of boys who psychometrically would seem capable of school success. No norms are available and no statistical tests were conducted but 179 out of 337 boys, who obtained I.Q. scores of average or above, were at least one grade retarded. It would appear that the learning difficulties of these 53%, who are below their expected grade placement, cannot be understood on the basis of intelligence.

RESULTS OF TEST ADMINISTERED TO

CHILDREN COMMITTED TO THE DIVISION

The children committed to the Division are administered an individual intelligence test (Wechsler Intelligence Scale).

The combined results of the scores obtained by the boys and girls are presented below:

Table 14:

I.Q. SCORES FOR ALL DELINQUENT CHILDREN

Range	Boys	Girls	Total
41 - 55	2	-	2
56 - 70	17	5	22
71 - 85	116	31	147
86 - 100	222	66	288
101 - 115	138	42	180
116 - 130	29	4	33
131 - 145	-	2	2
TOTAL	524	150	674

Table 15:

This table presents the grouped mean, standard deviation and standard error of the mean of the committed children.

MEAN	STANDARD DEVIATION	STANDARD ERROR OF THE MEAN
93.56	13.89	.535

With 99% confidence we can expect that the mean I.Q. of the committed delinquent population will fall within a range limited by 92.18 — 94.94.

This differs significantly from the theoretical mean of 100 established for the Wechsler scales. This discrepancy may be due to the differences in environmental backgrounds between the delinquent and non-delinquent populations reflecting the negative and stunting live experiences of the delinquent group which can inhibit the intellectual development of children as measured by an I.Q. test.

Table 16:

FREQUENCY OF SELECTED OFFENSES BY AGE

GIRLS

OFFENSE	AGE										
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	TOTAL
STUBBORN CHILD	-	-	-	1	5	6	16	26	17	2	73
RUNAWAY	-	-	-	-	2	6	13	12	11	3	47
TRUANCY	-	-	-	-	1	3	8	6	-	-	18
LARCENY - UNDER $100.	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	3	1	8
SCHOOL OFFENDER	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	3	-	-	7
USING MOTOR VEHICLE WITHOUT AUTHORITY	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	1	2	-	6
LEWDNESS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	4
MISC. DRUG OFFENSES	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	4
ASSAULT & BATTERY	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
DRUNKENNESS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	2

* 24 Girls were committed to the Division of Youth Service for more than one offense.

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Table 17:

FREQUENCY OF SELECTED OFFENSES BY AGE

BOYS

OFFENSE	AGE										
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	TOTAL
USING MOTOR VEHICLE WITHOUT AUTHORITY	-	-	-	-	4	16	43	82	80	11	236
STUBBORN CHILD	3	1	4	3	5	8	10	13	8	1	56
LARCENY - UNDER $100.	2	-	1	1	6	8	8	10	7	3	46
BREAKING - ENTERING - DAY TIME - LARC.	-	-	-	1	-	2	4	7	7	4	25
BREAKING - ENTERING - NIGHT TIME - LARC.	-	-	-	-	1	2	6	13	17	2	41
LARCENY IN BUILDING	-	-	1	1	5	4	3	3	4	1	22
USING MOTOR VEHICLE WITHOUT LICENSE	-	-	-	-	-	1	5	12	13	2	33
RUNAWAY	-	-	-	2	1	2	5	9	4	-	23
ASSAULT & BATTERY	-	-	-	-	2	1	4	3	6	3	19
ASSAULT & BATTERY WITH DANGEROUS WEAPON	-	-	-	-	2	1	5	4	4	3	19
RELATED DRUG OFFENSES	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	6	7	2	18

* 225 Boys were committed to the Division of Youth Service for more than one offense

Table 18:

FREQUENCY OF OFFENSES COMMITTED BEFORE COMMITMENT

BOYS - GIRLS

OFFENSE	AGE 7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Total	%
AGAINST PERSONS	-	1	-	3	4	10	7	5	1	1	32	2.3
AGAINST PROPERTY	8	15	31	48	84	129	109	119	59	19	621	45.0
SEX	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	2	1	1	7	0.5
ALCOHOL	-	-	-	1	-	4	9	10	11	4	39	2.8
DRUG	1	-	-	-	-	-	6	7	6	1	21	1.5
PUBLIC ORDER	2	2	1	3	5	9	4	12	6	2	46	3.3
MOTOR VEHICLE	1	4	5	14	21	47	57	87	68	17	321	23.2
WEAPONS	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2	1	-	5	0.4
ARSON	1	1	-	4	3	4	3	2	3	-	21	1.5
SCHOOL	4	6	3	9	14	16	26	29	14	-	121	8.8
RUNAWAY	-	-	2	1	9	11	10	17	14	2	66	4.8
STUBBORN	-	1	4	7	6	19	11	17	14	2	81	5.9

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COMPARISON OF OFFENSES COMMITTED PRIOR TO COMMITMENT

Boys and girls were compared by similarity of offenses for which they appeared in court, up to three times, prior to the committing offense. The categories were defined as: Same - exact same offense; Similar - different charge but the same cateforical classification; Unlike - different charge and different categorical classification.*

The results of this comparison are presented in the following table.

Table 19: Comparison of male and female delinquents by same, similar or unlike pre-commitment court offenses.

OFFENSE	BOYS	%	GIRLS	%
Same	114	19%	63	42%
Similar	384	62%	42	29%
Unlike	117	19%	43	29%
TOTAL	615	100%	148	100%

Chi square = 42.66; 2 df; $p < .001$

* See Appendix A for list of offenses by classification.

From Table 19, it may be seen that boys and girls differ significantly in regard to same, similar and unlike offenses, prior to commitment. Girls tend to appear in court more for the "same" and "unlike" offenses. Boys tend to appear more for "similar" offenses while girls seem more likely to commit the exact "same" offense or a different kind of offense entirely. Boys do not tend to repeat the exact "same" offense nor do they change to an entirely different classification. The wide variety of automobile and property offenses which are charged against boys seems to contribute heavily to the high number of "similar" offenses committed by boys.

When females are compared alone in terms of the percentage of girls committing the same, similar or unlike offenses, it can be seen that 42% of the girls repeat the same offense.

Boys compared alone on the basis of same, similar or unlike offenses show that 62% of the boys commit offenses in the "similar" category.

APPENDIX A

CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENSES

I. Violations Against Persons

1 Annoying Telephone Calls
4 Assault & Battery
5 Assault with Intent to Rob
8 Threat to Commit Assault & Battery
9 Assault on a Law Officer
38 Larceny from a Person
42 Manslaughter
48 Murder
55 Robbery
57 Robbery While Armed
58 Robbery - Unarmed
74 Contributing to Delinquency of Minor
83 Uttering Threat to Kill
101 Unarmed Assault & Robbery - Under $100.

II. Violations Against Property

11 Breaking and Entering
12 Attempted Breaking and Entering
13 Breaking Glass in Building
14 Breaking & Entering - Daytime
15 Breaking & Entering - Nighttime
16 B/E - Nighttime - Larceny
17 B/E - Daytime - Larceny
18 B/E - Daytime - Intent to Commit a Misdemeanor
19 B/E - Nighttime - Intent to Commit a Misdemeanor
20 Breaking - Entering - Larceny
21 Burglary
25 Cruelty to Animals
34 Defraud - Forged Checks
36 Larceny - Over $100.
37 Larceny - Under $100.
39 Larceny from Building
40 Attempted Larceny
41 Malicious Injury to R.R. Switch - Obstructing Train
53 Receiving Stolen Money
54 Receiving Stolen Property
65 Wilful & Malicious Injury to Prop.
76 B/E - NT - Intent to Commit Felony
77 B/E - DT - Intent to Commit Felony
78 Possession of Burglar Tools
79 Trespassing
80 B/E - Motor Vehicle - Intent to Commit a Misdemeanor
82 Illegal Possession M/V Master Key

II. Violations Against Property (cont'd)

89 Aiding in Commission of Felony & Larceny - Under $100.
96 Unauthorized Use of Boat
107 Attempt to Break Parking Meter
120 Misappropiation of Aircraft
123 Larceny of Motor Cycle
127 Destruction of Parking Meter

III. Sex Offenses

7 Indecent Assault & Battery
10 Being a Lewd, Wanton & Lascivious Person
32 Indecent Assault - Child Under 6 Years
33 Indecent Assault - Child Under 14 Years
52 Rape
68 Fornication
69 Lewdness & Stubborn
75 Lewdness
90 Lewdness of Speech & Behavior
93 Assault with Intent to Rape
106 Unnatural & Lascicious Act
115 Rape - Child Under 16 Years

IV. Alcohol Offenses

28 Drunkenness
50 Possession of Alcoholic Beverage in High School
70 Robbery - Minor Transporting Alcohol in Motor Vehicle
109 Driving Under Influence of Alcohol
119 Possession of Alcoholic Beverage

V. Drug Offenses

35 Intentionally Smelling Fumes of Glue
49 Possession of Certain Glue
51 Present Where Narcotics were Found
87 Possession of Harmful Drugs
97 Conspiracy to Violate Narcotic Drug Law

CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENSES

(cont'd)

V. Drug Offenses

104 Uttering False Prescription for Narcotic Drugs
124 Possession of Hypo Needle
134 Narcotics in Possession

VI. Violations Against Public Order

27 Disturbing a Public Assembly
29 Falsely Reporting Location of an Explosive
31 Idle & Disorderly Person
62 Vagrancy
66 Bomb Threat
67 Disturbance
72 Violation of Curfew Laws
84 Disorderly Behavior
85 Conspiracy
88 Malicious Mischief
91 Throwing Missiles
102 Suspicious Person
105 Concealment of Identify
108 Violation of City Ordinance
117 Loitering
121 Refusing to stop for Police Officer
130 Failing to Disperse
131 Exploding Explosive Substance
132 Interfering with Police Officer in the Performance of his Duties

VII. Motor Vehicle Violations

43 Attempted Larceny of M/V
44 Burning of Motor Vehicle
45 Operating M/V without License
46 Speeding - Operating to Endanger
47 Using M/V - W/O Authority
71 Speeding - Operating to Endanger - Leaving Scene
86 Leaving Scene of Accident After Injury to Person
99 Larceny of Motor Vehicle
100 Taking M/V and Stealing Parts
103 Violation of M/V Laws - Attaching Plates
110 License Not With Operator
111 Leaving Scene After Injury to Prop.
112 Operating After Suspension of Lic.
116 Larceny & Concealment of M/V
118 Operating Uninsured M/V
126 False M/V License in Possession
133 Larceny of Motor Vehicle Plates
135 Operating Motor Vehicle to Endanger

VIII. Violations of Use of Weapons

6 Assault & Battery with Dang. Weapon
22 Careless & Negligent Use of Weapon
23 Carrying Dangerous Weapon
24 Carrying an Unloaded Pistol
98 Assault with a Dangerous Weapon
113 Assault - Armed with Int. to Rob
114 Assault & Robbery While Armed
122 B/E - N/T - Intent to Commit Felony While Armed
125 Carrying Gun Without a Permit

IX. Arson Offenses

2 Arson
3 Arson in the Night Time
30 Ringing False Alarm of Fire
73 Wilfully & Maliciously Setting Fire to Dwelling & School - $30,000 Dam.
94 Setting Fires (Outdoors)
95 Attempted Arson

X. School Offenses

61 Truancy
63 Violation of Rules & Regulations of Training School
92 School Offender

XI. Runaway Offenses

59 Runaway
129 Escapee

XII. Stubborn Child Offenses

60 Stubborn Child
81 Disobedient
128 Stubborn & Disobedient

XIII. Wayward Child Offenses

64 Wayward Child

IX.

Table 20:

FAMILY SIZE OF COMMITTED DELINQUENT BOYS

FISCAL YEAR - 1968

ORDER OF BIRTH	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	TOTAL	%
Only Child	44	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	44	6.4 %
Oldest	-	35	25	33	31	17	13	8	2	2	1	167	24.4 %
2nd Oldest	-	35	41	44	22	25	12	14	5	3	2	203	29.6 %
3rd Oldest	-	-	34	22	21	14	11	6	7	1	2	118	17.2 %
4th Oldest	-	-	-	13	19	13	11	4	4	1	3	68	9.94%
5th Oldest	-	-	-	-	13	9	5	2	7	1	-	37	5.41%
6th Oldest	-	-	-	-	-	4	5	3	2	2	-	16	2.33%
7th Oldest	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	5	2	1	1	14	2.04%
8th Oldest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	4	4	1	11	1.61%
9th Oldest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	3	.43%
10th Oldest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	3	.43%
TOTAL	44	70	100	112	106	82	62	44	34	17	13	684	100%

* Family Structure of 12 or more are not included.

Table 21:

FAMILY SIZE OF COMMITTED DELINQUENT GIRLS

FISCAL YEAR - 1968

ORDER OF BIRTH	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	TOTAL	%
Only Child	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	4.14%
Oldest	-	6	5	6	6	7	5	1	1	-	-	37	21.89%
2nd Oldest	-	6	5	7	8	4	1	2	4	-	-	37	21.89%
3rd Oldest	-	-	12	9	4	7	-	3	-	3	-	38	22.48%
4th Oldest	-	-	-	3	4	5	5	-	2	1	-	20	11.83%
5th Oldest	-	-	-	-	5	4	2	-	3	1	2	17	10.05%
6th Oldest	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	3	1.77%
7th Oldest	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	-	-	1	5	2.95%
8th Oldest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	2	1.18%
9th Oldest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	2	1.18%
10th Oldest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	.59%
TOTAL	7	12	22	25	27	27	17	10	11	7	4	169	100%

* Family structure of 12 or more are not included.

X. Table 22:

HOME SITUATION OF CHILDREN COMMITTED TO THE

YOUTH SERVICE BOARD DURING FISCAL YEAR 1968

HOME SITUATION	BOYS	%	GIRLS	%
Mother and Father	253	37.2	66	37.9
Mother	226	33.2	65	37.4
Father	20	2.9	4	2.3
Mother and Stepfather	93	13.7	18	10.3
Stepmother and Father	18	2.6	7	4.0
Relatives	26	3.8	5	2.9
Foster Home	13	1.9	5	2.9
Group Home	7	1.0	1	.6
Adopted or Stepparent	21	3.1	2	1.1
Alone or State School	3	.4	1	.6
TOTAL	680	100%	174	100%

15 Boys were committed two times in Fiscal Year 1968.
3 Boys were committed three times in Fiscal Year 1968.

1 Girl was committed two times in Fiscal Year 1968.

DETENTION SERVICES

The Department of Youth Services operates four Detentiсn Centers located in various parts of the Commonwealth. The purpose of these centers is to service children whom the courts or police request be held and/or clinically studied. The numerical scope of this service is summarized below:

Detention Center	Boys Studied	Girls Studied	Total # Detained
Judge John J. Connelly Youth Center Roslindale	125		3611
Detention Center for Girls Jamaica Plain		55	1338
Westfield Detention Center	118		811
Westfield		68	494
Worcester Detention Center	130		720
Worcester		60	331
TOTAL	373	183	7305

A total of 7,305 children (2,163 girls and 5,142 boys) were held during the fiscal year of 1968 at these centers. Of this number, 556 children received clinical studies (373 boys and 183 girls). It should be noted that the 7,305 figure does not represent 7,305 children as some of these children were admitted two or more times.

JURISDICTION OF COURT DISTRICTS BY COUNTY

BARNSTABLE COUNTY

1st Dist. (Barnstable)
Barnstable, Bourne, Yarmouth, Sandwich, Falmouth, Mashpee

2nd Dist. (Provincetown)
Provincetown, Truro, Wellfleet, Orleans, Eastham, Brewster, Chatham, Harwich, Dennis

BERKSHIRE COUNTY

Central Dist. (Pittsfield)
Pittsfield, Hancock, Lanesborough, Peru, Hinsdale, Dalton, Washington, Richmond, Lenox, Becket, Windsor

Northern Dist. (North Adams)
North Adams, Clarksburg, Florida

Southern Dist. (Gt. Barrington)
Sheffield, Gt. Barrington, Egremont, Alford, Mt. Washington, Monterey, New Marlborough, West Stockbridge, Sandisfield

4th Dist. (Adams)
Adams, Cheshire, Savoy, Windsor

Dist. Ct. of Lee (Lee)
Lee, Stockbridge, Tyringham, Otis, Sandisfield, Lenox, Becket

Dist. Ct. of Williamstown (Williamstown)
Williamstown, New Ashford

BRISTOL COUNTY

1st Dist. (Taunton)
Taunton, Rehoboth, Berkley, Dighton, Seekonk, Easton, Raynham

2nd Dist. (Fall River)
Fall River, Somerset, Swansea, Freetown, Westport

BRISTOL COUNTY (continued)

3rd Dist. (New Bedford)
New Bedford, Fairhaven, Acushnet, Dartmouth, Freetown, Westport

4th Dist. (Attleboro)
Attleboro, North Attleboro, Mansfield, Norton

DUKES COUNTY

Dist. Ct. (Edgartown)
Oaks Bluffs, Edgartown, Tisbury

ESSEX COUNTY

1st Dist. (Salem)
Salem, Beverly, Danvers, Hamilton, Middleton, Topsfield, Wenham, Manchester

2nd Dist. (Amesbury)
Amesbury, Merrimac, Salisbury

3rd Dist. (Ipswich)
Ipswich

Central Dist. of Northern Essex (Haverhill)
Haverhill, Groveland, Georgetown, Boxford, West Newbury

Eastern Dist. (Gloucester)
Gloucester, Rockport, Essex

Southern Dist. (Lynn)
Lynn, Swampscott, Saugus, Marblehead, Nahant

Dist. Ct. of Lawrence (Lawrence)
Lawrence, Andover, North Andover, Methuen

Dist. Ct. of Newburyport (Newburyport)
Newburyport, Newbury, Rowley, Salisbury, West Newbury

Dist. Ct. of Peabody (Peabody)
Peabody, Lynnfield

FRANKLIN COUNTY

Dist. Ct. of Franklin (Greenfield)
Ashfield, Bernardston, Buckland, Charlmont, Colrain, Conway, Deerfield, Hawley, Heath, Leverett, Leyden, Monroe, Montague, Northfield, Rowe, Shelburne, Shutesbury, Sunderland, Whately

Eastern Dist. (Orange)
Orange, Erving, Warwick, Wendell, New Salem

HAMPDEN COUNTY

Eastern Dist. (Palmer)
Palmer, Brimfield, Monson, Holland, Wales, Wilbraham

Western Dist. (Westfield)
Westfield, Chester, Granville, Southwick, Russell, Blandford, Tolland, Montgomery

Dist. Ct. of Chicopee (Chicopee)
Chicopee

Dist. Ct. of Holyoke (Holyoke)
Holyoke

Dist. Ct. of Springfield (Springfield)
Springfield, West Springfield, Agawam, Longmeadow, East Longmeadow, Hampden, Ludlow

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY

Dist. Ct. of Hampshire (Northampton)
Northampton, Amherst, Cummington, Belchertown, South Hadley, Huntington, Easthampton, Chesterfield, Goshen, Granby, Hadley, Hatfield, Middlefield, Pelham, Plainfield, Southampton, Westhampton, Williamsburg, Worthington

Eastern Dist. (Ware)
Ware

MIDDLESEX COUNTY

Central Dist. (Concord)
Concord, Acton, Bedford, Carlisle, Lincoln, Maynard, Stow, Lexington

1st Northern Dist. (Ayer)
Ayer, Groton, Pepperell, Townsend, Ashby, Shirley, Westford, Littleton, Boxborough

1st Eastern Dist. (Malden)
Malden, Wakefield, Melrose, Everett, Medford

2nd Eastern Dist. (Waltham)
Waltham, Watertown, Weston

3rd Eastern Dist. (Cambridge)
Cambridge, Arlington, Belmont

4th Eastern Dist. (Woburn)
Woburn, Winchester, Burlington, Wilmington, Stoneham, Reading, North Reading

1st Southern Dist. (Framingham)
Framingham, Ashland, Holliston, Sherborn, Sudbury, Wayland, Hopkinton

Dist. Ct. of Lowell (Lowell)
Lowell, Tewksbury, Billerica, Dracut, Chelmsford, Dunstable, Tyngsborough

Dist. Ct. of Marlborough (Marlborough)
Marlborough, Hudson

Dist. Ct. of Natick (Natick)
Natick

Dist. Ct. of Newton (Newton)
Newton

Dist. Ct. of Somerville (Somerville)
Somerville

NANTUCKET COUNTY

Dist. Ct. of Nantucket (Nantucket)
Nantucket

NORFOLK COUNTY

Northern Dist. (Dedham)
Dedham, Dover, Norwood, Westwood, Medfield, Needham, Wellesley

Eastern Dist. (Quincy)
Quincy, Randolph, Braintree, Cohasset, Weymouth, Holbrook, Milton, (in criminal cases part of Scituate)

Southern Dist. (Stoughton)
Stoughton, Canton, Avon, Sharon

Western Dist. (Franklin)
Franklin, Walpole, Bellingham, Foxborough, Medway, Millis, Norfolk, Plainville, Wrentham

Muncipal Ct. of Brookline (Brookline)
Brookline

PLYMOUTH COUNTY

2nd Dist. (Hingham)
Abington, Hingham, Whitman, Rockland, Hull, Hanover, Scituate, Norwell, Hanson

3rd Dist. (Plymouth)
Plymouth, Kingston, Plympton, Pembroke, Duxbury, Marshfield

4th Dist. (Middleborough)
Middleborough, Wareham, Lakeville, Marion, Mattapoisett, Rochester, Carver

Dist. Ct. of Brockton (Brockton)
Brockton, Bridgewater, East Bridgewater, Halifax, West Bridgewater

SUFFOLK COUNTY

Boston Juvenile
Boston Municipal
Brighton Municipal
Dist. Ct. of Chelsea (Chelsea)
Chelsea, Revere
Dorchester Municipal
Dist. Ct. of East Boston (East Boston)
East Boston, Winthrop
Roxbury Municipal
South Boston Municipal
West Roxbury Municipal

WORCESTER COUNTY

Central Dist. (Worcester)
Worcester, Millbury, Sutton, Auburn, Leicester, Paxton, West Boylston, Holden, Shrewsbury, Rutland, Barre, Princeton, Oakham

1st Northern Dist. (Gardner)
Gardner, Athol, Petersham, Phillipston, Royalston, Templeton, Hubbardston, Westminster

1st Eastern Dist. (Westborough)
Westborough, Grafton, Southborough, Northborough

2nd Eastern Dist. (Clinton)
Clinton, Berlin, Bolton, Boylston, Harvard, Lancaster, Sterling

1st Southern Dist. (Southbridge)
Southbridge, Webster, Sturbridge, Charlton, Dudley, Oxford

2nd Southern Dist. (Blackstone)
Blackstone, Uxbridge, Douglas, Northbridge, Millville

3rd Southern Dist. (Milford)
Milford, Mendon, Upton, Hopedale

Western Dist. (North Brookfield)
East Brookfield, Brookfield, Spencer, North Brookfield, West Brookfield, Warren, Hardwick, New Braintree

Dist. Ct. of Fitchburg (Fitchburg)
Fitchburg, Ashburnham, Lunenburg

Dist. Ct. of Leominster (Leominster)
Leominster

Dist. Ct. of Winchendon (Winchendon)
Winchendon

NOTE: Those communities in parentheses () are commonly referred to as the major places of sitting of the particular court. In addition to the above courts, each of the fourteen counties has a superior court, having under its jurisdiction all communities in that county.

THE MASSACHUSETTS DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICE

The Massachusetts Division of Youth Service is that agency of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts which cares for all children adjudicated delinquent by the courts of the Commonwealth and ordered committed to its care. The magnitude of the problem from a numeral point of view can be seen from the following yearly commitment rate to the Division:

1963 - 1126	1966 - 899
1964 - 1134	1967 - 881
1965 - 1007	1968 - 876

The Division receives children between the ages of 7-17, but once committed, a child is in the care of the Division until he reaches his 21st birthday or is discharged according to law. The Division of Youth Service maintains and administers ten institutions for the treatment and rehabilitation of delinquent children. The Division also administers community-based delinquency prevention programs together with an extensive after-care program for children released from institutions. It has also sponsored many community-based and operated programs such as the School Adjustment Program, support of Half-Way Houses and participated in Police Training Programs.

Children committed to the Division may be placed in any setting, both public or private, based upon the need of the child. The Director of the Division can authorize funds, within budget limitation, to support children in placement.

SOURCES OF DATA

a. Data on commitments - new and recommitments combined - was obtained from the Weekly Commitments Reports of the Reception Centers of the Division of Youth Service.

b. Data on the children committed to the care of the Division of Youth Service was obtained from various departments within the Division, courts, schools and outside agencies.

c. Data on juvenile appearances in court was obtained from the Office of the Commissioner of Probation and includes disposed of and continued cases.

d. The jurisdiction of the individual courts was obtained from the Manual for the General Court, 1967 - 1968, Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

SYMBOLS USED

- = No commitments in this category.

* = Less than one per cent.

Note: All percents rounded off to the nearest whole number.